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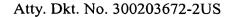
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed July 13, 2007, Applicant hereby provisionally elects Group I, Claims 1-4 and 6-13, for examination, with traverse. Claims 1, 6-10 and 12 are generic.

The Office Action asserts that Species I, drawn to Fig. 2, is patentably distinct from Species II, drawn to Fig. 4 and Species III, drawn to Fig. 5. However, the characteristics of species I, II and II are not mutually exclusive. For example, each species includes a print head and a memory tag write device. Further, Applicant asserts that there is not an additional search burden for examining the present application. Species I, II and III do not require a different field of search since they are all related to a data printing and writing apparatus having a print head and a memory tag write device.

Applicant, of course, reserves the right to file divisional applications covering the subject matter of the non-elected claims.